

IN THE ABSTRACT:

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A printing system, ~~and a~~ printing method and a recording medium are capable of conducting ~~the~~ printing efficiently. Regarding the first printing means for printing images per one print in the first size and discharging these images, and the second printing means for printing images per multiple copies in the first size and discharging these images, the number of prints to be allocated to the first and ~~the~~ second printing means is determined so that ~~the~~ printing is finished in a minimum amount of time corresponding to the total number of prints of the first size to be printed. And, based on the determination result, the first and the second printing means ~~is~~ are controlled.